and Technology Mission; National Mission on Bamboo Applications; Seismology Mission; Drug and pharmaceuticals R&D; New Millennium Indian Technology Leadership initiative; Tsunami Warning System etc. Research in sectors like Drug and Pharmaceuticals, Health and Medical; focusing research in peptide based anti cancer drug, AIDS, tuberculosis etc., Nano Science and Technology; carbon nanotube based fluid energy sensors, sufrace coatings etc., Information Technology, Agriculture and Waste Utilization etc., are some examples which have been found to be useful and cost effective.

Match fixing rumours

1042. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Vigilance Team of ICC visited India in September 2005 when triangular series were played in Zimbabwe and there were some rumours of match fixing;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the purpose of the visit of ICC Team;

(c) whether Government have enquired into the question of match fixing; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (d) Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) have informed that they have no information regarding the visit of Vigilance Team, from ICC to India in Sept-2005. This Ministry also does not have any formal information regarding visit of Vigilance team from ICC. Hence, the question of probing into the details of match fixing during the triangular cricket series played in Zimbabwe during September, 2005 does not arise.

Monitoring of banned drugs

1043. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian Sports personnel found guilty of taking banned drugs during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that in almost all cases, these boys and girls were sent to foreign countries for training under foreign coaches; and